

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ("USPTO")**

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**Title:** ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM, GATEWAY CARD, AND ACCESS CONTROL METHOD

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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2009, whose period for response is hereby petitioned for extension by two (2) months to December 1, 2009, and concurrent with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), kindly amend the above-identified application as set forth below. In view of the same as well as the following remarks, kindly reconsider and further examine the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.